
HOUSE BILL No. 1455

DIGEST OF INTRODUCED BILL

Citations Affected: IC 6-3-2.

Synopsis: Tax deduction for federal retirement benefits. Provides an adjusted gross income tax deduction for part of a federal government pension (including a military pension) received by an individual or an individual's surviving spouse, in an amount that does not exceed the difference between: (1) the maximum benefits payable under Social Security that could have been excluded from federal gross income for the year; and (2) the Social Security benefits actually received by the taxpayer during the year. Provides that a taxpayer may not claim both this deduction and the existing military service deduction or federal civil service deduction.

Effective: July 1, 2003.

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January 15, 2003, read first time and referred to Committee on Ways and Means.

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Additions: Whenever a new statutory provision is being enacted (or a new constitutional provision adopted), the text of the new provision will appear in **this style type**. Also, the word **NEW** will appear in that style type in the introductory clause of each SECTION that adds a new provision to the Indiana Code or the Indiana Constitution.

Conflict reconciliation: Text in a statute in *this style type* or ~~this style type~~ reconciles conflicts between statutes enacted by the 2002 Regular or Special Session of the General Assembly.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning taxation.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. IC 6-3-2-3.7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 3.7. Each taxable year,
3 an individual is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction
4 equal to the remainder of:

5 (1) the first two thousand dollars (\$2,000) which is received by
6 the individual during the taxable year from a federal civil service
7 annuity and which is included in adjusted gross income under
8 Section 62 of the Internal Revenue Code; minus
9 (2) the total amount of Social Security benefits and railroad
10 retirement benefits received by the individual during the taxable
11 year.

12 However, the individual is only entitled to the deduction provided by
13 this section if the individual is at least sixty-two (62) years of age
14 before the end of the taxable year. **A taxpayer may not claim both**
15 **this deduction and the deduction under section 3.9 of this chapter**
16 **in a taxable year that begins after December 31, 2003.**

17 SECTION 2. IC 6-3-2-3.9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE

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1 AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
2 1, 2003]: Sec. 3.9. (a) As used in this section, "applicable maximum
3 benefit amount" means the following:

4 (1) In the case of an unmarried individual, the maximum
5 individual Social Security benefit.

6 (2) In the case of a joint return, one hundred fifty percent
7 (150%) of the maximum individual Social Security benefit.

8 (3) In the case of a married individual filing a separate return,
9 seventy-five percent (75%) of the maximum individual Social
10 Security benefit.

11 (b) As used in this section, "maximum excludable Social
12 Security benefits" means an amount equal to that part of the
13 applicable maximum benefit amount for the taxpayer for the
14 taxable year that would be excluded from federal gross income
15 under the Internal Revenue Code if the benefit amount were
16 treated as Social Security benefits (within the meaning of Section
17 86(d) of the Internal Revenue Code) received during the taxable
18 year.

19 (c) As used in this section, "maximum individual Social Security
20 benefit" means, with respect to a taxable year, the maximum total
21 amount that could be paid for all months in the calendar year
22 ending in the taxable year as old age insurance benefits under
23 Section 202(a) of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 402(a)),
24 without regard to any reduction, deduction, or offset under Section
25 202(k) or Section 203 of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C.
26 402(k) or 42 U.S.C. 403), to any individual who attained retirement
27 age (as defined in Section 216(l) of the federal Social Security Act
28 (42 U.S.C. 416(l)) and has filed an application for the benefits by
29 the first day of the calendar year. However, in the case of an
30 individual who receives a qualified governmental pension for less
31 than a full taxable year, the maximum individual Social Security
32 benefit for the individual for the year shall be reduced as provided
33 in regulations prescribed by the United States Department of the
34 Treasury.

35 (d) As used in this section, "public retirement system" means
36 any pension, annuity, retirement, or similar fund or system
37 established by the United States, including military retirement
38 systems.

39 (e) As used in this section, "qualified governmental pension"
40 means any pension or annuity received under a public retirement
41 system to the extent the pension or annuity is not attributable to
42 service that:

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(1) constitutes employment for purposes of Chapter 21 of the Internal Revenue Code (relating to the Federal Insurance Contributions Act); or

(2) is covered by an agreement made under Section 218 of the federal Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 418).

(f) Subject to subsection (g), in each taxable year beginning after December 31, 2003, an individual or the individual's surviving spouse is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction for amounts that are:

(1) received by the individual or surviving spouse as a qualified governmental pension for service performed by the individual; and

(2) included in federal adjusted gross income.

(g) The deduction under subsection (f) for a taxable year beginning after December 31, 2003, may not exceed the remainder of:

(1) the maximum excludable Social Security benefits of the individual or surviving spouse for the year; minus

(2) the Social Security benefits (within the meaning of Section 86(d) of the Internal Revenue Code) that:

(A) are received by the individual or surviving spouse during the taxable year; and

(B) are excluded from federal gross income.

SECTION 3. IC 6-3-2-4 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003]: Sec. 4. Each taxable year, an individual, or the individual's surviving spouse, is entitled to an adjusted gross income tax deduction for the first two thousand dollars (\$2,000) of income, including retirement or survivor's benefits, received during the taxable year by the individual, or the individual's surviving spouse, for the individual's service in an active or reserve component of the armed forces of the United States, including the army, navy, air force, coast guard, marine corps, merchant marine, Indiana army national guard, or Indiana air national guard. However, a person who is less than sixty (60) years of age on the last day of the person's taxable year, is not, for that taxable year, entitled to a deduction under this section for retirement or survivor's benefits. **A taxpayer may not claim both this deduction and the deduction available under section 3.9 of this chapter in a taxable year that begins after December 31, 2003.**

SECTION 4. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2003] (a) IC 6-3-2-3.9, as added by this act, applies only to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2003.

(b) IC 6-3-2-3.7 and IC 6-3-2-4, both as amended by this act,



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